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SUBJECT: SURINAME: UPDATES TO NAMES, TITLES, AND CONTACT
NUMBERS FOR LEADING GOVERNMENT AND POLITICAL OFFICIALS

REF: SECSTATE 054250

1. (SBU) Post submits the following information keyed to
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Country: Republic of Suriname
Date information verified by post: May 29, 2008

Head of State
Last/Family Name: Venetiaan
First/Middle Names: Runaldo Ronald
Conventional Usage: Ronald
Formal Title: His Excellency President Ronald Venetiaan
Office Telephone Numbers: (597) 474-294
After-hours Official Numbers: will submit upon receipt of
information from President's Protocol Chief
Residence Telephone Numbers: will submit upon receipt of
information from Chief of Protocol
Cell Phone Numbers: will submit upon receipt of information
from Chief of Protocol
Comments: Asked to rate President Venetiaan's English
language proficiency on a scale of 1-10 (10 being the
highest), the head of the Americas Division of the Ministry
of Foreign Affairs gave the President a 7.5.

Foreign Minister
Last/Family Name: Kraag-Keteldijk
First/Middle Name: Lygia (Keteldijk is her maiden name)
Conventional Usage: Lygia
Formal Title: Her Excellency Minister Kraag-Keteldijk
Office Telephone Numbers: (597) 471-209; 471-756
After-hours Official Numbers: information pending release
Residence Telephone Numbers: information pending release
Cell Phone Numbers: (597) 0875-2394
Comments: The Head of the Americas Division at the MFA gave
Minister Kraag-Keteldijk's English language
proficiency a 7 on a scale of 1 to 10.

2. (SBU) Post awaits more information from the Chief of
Protocol, Office of the President, in response to Post's
dipnote request. Post will report additional information,
comments, and notes in separate cable when available.

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